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Summary

About this Release

This Basic and Expanded Confidentialised Unit Record File (CURF) provides information from both the monthly Labour Force Survey and the related Forms of Employment supplementary survey.

Detailed labour force and demographic characteristics for the civilian population aged 15 years and over are included. In addition, data is provided on independent contractors, other business operators and employees. Information is also provided on people who had found their job through a labour hire firm or employment agency.

This CURF is available on CD-ROM and via the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Remote Access Data Laboratory (RADL). The CD-ROM allows users to tabulate, manipulate and analyse data to their individual specifications. The RADL is accessible for authorised users via the ABS web site and enables the ABS to make more detailed microdata available than on CD-ROM, while still maintaining the confidentiality of ABS data providers.

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